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# Another Million Teachers Needed In Next 10 Years

CLEVELAND.—This country is going to need more than a million new grade school teachers—approximately 100,000 a year for the next 10 years.

That was the estimate made in a teacher recruitment program announced by a joint committee of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers and the National Education association.

The estimated need for a million new elementary school teachers in the next decade, the committee reported, is based on statistics showing this breakdown:

**Statistics Cited.**

To fill new positions, 277,000; to replace the estimated number of elementary teachers who will leave the profession, 534,000; to replace persons holding only emergency certificates, 70,000; to fill new jobs created by extension of pre-school service, 62,000, and to reduce the general teaching load so as not to exceed 25 pupils per teacher, 175,-000. The figures total 1,118,000.

The committee asked teachers, parents, and other citizens to unite to "interest our finest young people in teaching careers by improving present conditions and by showing youth what is attractive about teaching."

**Cumulative Shortage.**

"Because of an accumulated shortage," it added, "150,000 to 175,000 new elementary teachers are needed in 1948-49. Yet in 1948 only about 20,000 new elementary teachers were prepared by the colleges of America at levels of one, two, three and four years of preparation. Fewer than 12,000 of these were college graduates."

The committee recommended no lowering of teacher-preparation standards. The group reported that it was found that the states with the lowest standards have the greatest teacher shortages.

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### Hard Way to Get Million Bared by Industrialist

CHICAGO.—Want to know how to make a million dollars? Here's a simple, but definitely not easy, formula given by Lamont Du Pont, multimillionaire industrialist and one of the world's richest men:

"Work hard, save your money, and invest it."

Sounds easy, doesn't it?

But the head of the billion-dollar Du Pont empire says he doesn't think young fellows will like it. He made that statement after being told that young men might value his advice.

"No, I don't think they'd like it," he said, "for I'd tell them to save their money and stop squandering it."

### Glamour Photographer Says Women's Legs Reveal Age

NEW YORK.—An expert can tell a woman's age by looking at her legs, says Larry Gordon, photographer of glamour girls.

It's easier in a bathing suit than a new look gown, of course, but if the lady will lift her skirt to her knees, the expert can tell in a flash what the beautician tries to conceal.

"It's the blood lines in back of the knees and around the ankles," Gordon said. "It's easy. An expert can guess a woman's age within a year."

The female leg, from the knee down, is a tattle tale in more ways than one, Gordon said.

### Cat Walks 420 Miles Only To Find Its Master Gone

LEOMINSTER, MASS.—Fluffy, a one-year-old Angora cat, arrived home after apparently walking 420 miles from Buffalo, N. Y., only to find her master gone.

Ben Hagaberry sold his house here and set out by trailer with his family for Moses Lake, Wash.

Fluffy went sight-seeing during a one-night stopover in Buffalo. When she didn't return the next day, the Hansberrys went on their way.

The cat was weak when she reached here; her fine fur coat matted, her claws worn to the pad.

Neighbors took her to an animal hospital, where she is reported making a good recovery. She will be flown to the Hansberrys later.

### Roped Officer Tests Suction Power of Jet's Air Scoop

WASHINGTON, D. C.—How close can you get to the air scoop of a jet plane without being sucked in? Two or three feet, the navy says.

A mechanic was killed at Muroc dry lake, California, in such an accident.

To find out the exact danger area around its propellerless planes, the navy tied ropes around a young medical officer recently and let him walk up to a North American F-J-1 Fury running at full power.

The results of the test made at the Patuxent River, Md., naval air test center were announced.

Lt. A. L. Hall of Leonardtown, Md., reported that he was able to stand within two or three feet of the nose without being dragged in by the powerful suction. The air velocity two feet from the plane was found to be more than 60 miles an hour, but at three feet it dropped to only 17 miles an hour.

### 'Whodunit' Writer Shudders At Own Mystery Creations

CHICAGO. — To the reader of murder mysteries, the name of Mignon Eberhart is synonomous with blood-curdling detective puzzlers. Murder is her business. Yet, in real life, America's "whodunit" queen — who modestly insists that she murders only those who deserve it and prefers shooting to poison—never has brushed elbows with a corpse, a murderer or a coroner, never has been inside a police station, and once got so scared of one of her own "whodunits" that she fell out of bed.

Is Mignon Eberhart's opinion, the art of writing murder mysteries isn't much different from the art of writing anything else — it's mostly a matter of applying the seat of the pants to the seat of a chair. There are no cut-and-dried rules, no magic formula.

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## Gladstone

Gladstone, Dec. 29.- Mrs. Ethel D. Meharin and son are spending several weeks in Petersburg and Newport News visiting relatives.

J. Horsley Harris, of Richmond has returned home after visiting his sister, Mrs. D. E. Walton.

Dr. and Mrs. James G. Sites, of Washington spent Christmas here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Sites.

Miss Annie Wills, of Edinburgh, is spending a week here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Wills.

Mrs. J. W. Wright and Mrs. Julian Hesson have returned from a recent visit in Richmond.

Leonard Brown,of Newport News spent several days last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Brown.

Miss Mabel Layne is visiting her sister, Mrs. O. L. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Hope C. Christian, Jr., who have been spending several days here with his parents, have returned to Richmond.

## Concord

Concord, Dec. 29.- Miss Mabel Tuggle, of New York, is spending the holidays at her home here.

Miss Phinysee Abbott is visiting relatives in Washington.

Miss Irene Martin, of New London Academy is spending the holidays at her home here.

Miss Audrey Knight, of [illegible] is visiting at Concord.

Bobby King is visiting [illegible] Newington, Conn.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. [illegible] of Gladstone visiting [illegible] of Mr. and Mrs. Lowell [illegible] this week.

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